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c. Unpublished intercepts from Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Rumania and Yugoslavia are furnished daily to O/PO.

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| <u>Field Bureau</u> | <u>Words Monitored</u> | <u>Words Filled</u> |
|-------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| Tokyo — | 203,000 | 13,000 |
| Okinawa — | 381,400 | 23,000 |
| Rosetta — | 206,680 | 29,000 |
| Washington — | 246,400 | 20,000 |
| Bad Nauheim Vienna — | 269,000 | 10,000 |
| London — | 1,800,500 | 40,000 |
| Cyprus — | <u>530,400</u> | <u>24,000</u> |
| Totals | 3,637,380 | 159,000 |

B. Distribution

| | | |
|--|--------------|--------|
| Wire Service | — | 16,000 |
| Daily Reports | | |
| USSR and Eastern Europe | 28,000 | |
| Western Europe & Near East | 18,000 | |
| Far East | 29,000 | |
| Latin America | <u>5,000</u> | |
| | | 80,000 |
| Special Reports (Daily Average for Month) | — | 10,000 |

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II. Local Services Rendered by the Field*

London Bureau

Daily summaries of USSR, Satellite and German broadcasts are delivered to local users in London and sent by teletype to consumers in Western Europe: i.e., American Embassy offices in London and Paris and The Hague; G-2, USA, Frankfurt; HICOG, Frankfurt; HICOG, Berlin; U.S. Delegation, Austrian Mission; North Atlantic Treaty Organization, etc.

Tokyo Bureau

All processed intercepts are sent to G-2, USA, FEC and G-2, SCAP, Tokyo. Pertinent material is radioteletyped to Intelligence Information Center, USARPAC, Fort Shafter. A copy of the Korean file is transmitted to U.S. Embassy, Pusan via radioteletype.

Osaka Bureau

All processed intercepts are filed to the following consumers in the Pacific: G-2, USA, FEC; Intelligence Section, FEAF; USARPAC, Fort Shafter, Hawaii. A copy of Peking intercepts is delivered to USIS Formosa via radioteletype to Tokyo and thence by air courier to Formosa. Korean material is radioteletyped to U.S. Embassy, Pusan via Tokyo.

West Coast Bureau

A copy of Peking intercepts is filed to G-2, USA, FEC.

East Coast Bureau

Daily distribution of an epidemiological bulletin of the World Health Organisation is made to the Office of Scientific Intelligence.

German Bureau

Copies of all processed material are sent to the Economic Branch and to the Radio and Press Branch, Office of Intelligence, HICOG.

Austrian Bureau

A daily file of selected material is furnished the Office of the Chief of Staff, USFA. The complete file of the Austrian Bureau is supplied to the Intelligence Coordination Branch, USFA, and to G-2, USFA Rear, Salzburg.

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Mediterranean Bureau

Copies of all processed Soviet Kurdish-language intercepts are air mailed to American Embassy offices in Tehran and Baghdad.

***Since local field services are usually in response to continuing requirements, hereafter only the distribution changes which have occurred during the reporting period will be included in the Operational Report.**

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